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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b), Applicant hereby cites the following reference(s):

### U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

| DOCUMENT<br>NUMBER<br><small>Number-Kind Code (if known)</small> | DATE       | NAME         |
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| 5,866,672 A  | 02/02/1999 | Ohara et al. |

| FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS   |            |         |
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| CN 1153522 A   | 07/02/1997 | China   |

| OTHER ART – NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS   |
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| Zhongguofangzhichubanshe, Yaomu et al., "Fangzhicailiaoxue," January 2000, 2 <sup>nd</sup> edition, page 178, line 8 to line 12, 3 pages. |
| Copy of the Official Action from corresponding Chinese Application No. 200480036051.4, mailed on November 16, 2007, 5 pages.              |

Applicant is enclosing Form PTO-1449 (one sheet), along with a copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2). Pursuant to the undersigned attorney's obligation and duties under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.98(a)(3) and (c), either English language abstracts, partial translations, or full translations are included for patent documents which are not in English for the express purpose of providing a concise explanation of the references to the Patent and Trademark Office with the opportunity to evaluate the same. Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner's consideration of the above reference(s) and entry thereof into the record of this application.

By submitting this Statement, Applicant is attempting to fully comply with the duty of candor and good faith mandated by 37 C.F.R. §1.56. As such, this Statement is not intended to constitute an admission that any of the enclosed references, or other information referred to therein, constitutes "prior art" or is otherwise "material to patentability," as that phrase is defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a).

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